

# ALA at USC

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### SAVE THE DATE

- **STUDENT OF THE MONTH  
NOMINATIONS DUE  
9/19**
- **JEOPARDY GAME  
NIGHT 9/25**

Happy Fall 2020!! To all the new students starting this semester, ALA at USC sends you a very warm welcome! Congrats on starting the program, we are looking forward to meeting you! To all the returning students, welcome back! We are so excited to share this month's newsletter it is packed with some great stuff. Not only is September the start of the new school year, but it is also Civic Engagement month, National Hispanic Heritage month, and Library Card Sign Up month! Check out all our pieces filled with important information on voter registration, the 2020 Census, history on national Hispanic heritage, and a few recipes to celebrate! We also have a feature on the Student of the Month, self care options available to you as USC students, and a new feature: Gems from Jewel. Please check them out and let us know what you think. We hope you all settle up nicely this week as you ramp up the new semester and we would like to invite you all to our next Open House, where we will be playing Jeopardy through Zoom! Make sure to register your team as soon as you can and watch out for upcoming emails with the time we will start. We hope to see you there. Well, I would like to wish you all luck and great vibes this semester. Make sure to drink your water, take your breaks, take your naps, and get that reading done! You got this. Fight on!!

-Eileen Urrutia  
ALA-SC President

# All work and no play, make grumpy people.

## Zoom to the FUN monthly ALA at USC Open House

*make friends*  
**HAVE FUN**

# WHAT IS JEOPARDY?

Join us for some  
laughter and fun!  
September 25, 2020

Time: TBD

Register your team  
(3 -4 students) through  
the link by Tuesday, Sept  
22, 11:59pm PST

JOIN  
ALA AT USC  
SO YOU CAN HAVE  
HAVE FUN TOO!





*Looking for Connections?*

# JOIN THE ALA AT USC STUDENT CHAPTER

Click and fill out the interest form or contact  
mmlisalas@marshall.usc.edu!

<https://forms.gle/6VTWuJwnp3XHDxkN6>

## INTERESTED IN SPECIAL LIBRARIES?

The Special Library Association (SLA) is a non profit global organization for innovative information professionals and their strategic partners in business, government, academic, and other “specialized” settings.

CONTACT TORI MAGLONZO FOR MORE INFORMATION  
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### Valuable opportunities for:

- Networking
- Community Building
- Learning and Leadership



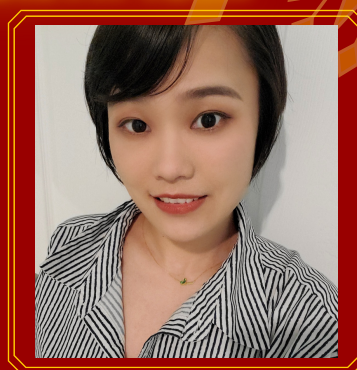
# AND AUGUST'S STUDENT OF THE MONTH IS...

**Zhuoqun (Jewel) Langley is a second-semester student who is interested in maker spaces, particularly "virtual reality technology and I believe all libraries and information institutions will benefit from adopting it."**

**ZHUOQUN**

**Jewel**

**LANGLEY**



Jewel was nominated SOTM due to her creativity, positive energy, and hard work. Jewel draws inspiration from her husband and her students! While teaching at Rosetta Stone, Jewel has learned about different cultures through her international students. Management Communication for Leaders with Philadelphia was her favorite class so far. It was harder to pick one favorite professor, she said, "I love Dr. DiPilato, Dr. Philadelphia, Dr. Muglia and Dr. Burgos. They are all great. It feels wrong to compare them because they are all different." Jewel wants to learn more about outreach, archive, and digital preservation while in library school at USC. Jewel's short-term goal is to survive 2020, like many of us. Long term goal is "to learn something new every year; like a new language, an instrument or any type of technical skills, so I can be better and better every year." Her dream internship would be "at one of the prettiest libraries in the world, but in reality, somewhere local will be better and more applicable." If she could travel anywhere in the world, Jewel would go to Africa because of all the wild animals. She is looking forward to starting the Fall semester because she will be one step closer to graduation. After graduation, Jewel plans to work in a public library. Her best advice for fellow library students is, "A Master's degree is not a must have but a choice, so if you chose this program, you need to be responsible for the choice, which means try your best to learn as much as possible from professors, peers, and yourself." Interview by Carla Hernandez

## Q's with Jewel

- What is your favorite restaurant or eatery? **I love any places that serve spicy food, but my most favorite will always be Chinese restaurant (those authentic ones)**
- What song on your playlist do you replay the most? **I rarely listen to songs, but I do want to learn how to play the violin, so I listen to David Garrett's performances a lot.**
- What is the best environment for you to study in? **I enjoy studying alone on a rainy night.**
- What is your favorite thing about summer? **Fruits**
- What shows are you watching/streaming now? **Why Women Kill**

## NOMINATE THE NEXT SOTM!

**Click on the nominations link:**

**<https://forms.gle/6kVTyhS6BQbJHBaUA>**

**Nomination deadline:**

**Sept. 19, 11:59 PM Trojan Time**





Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated every year from September 15 to October 15. This is to commemorate the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America. The observation began in 1968 by President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by president Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period. The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for many Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence day on September 16 and September 18, respectively.

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

Recipes to Celebrate Nat'l Hispanic Heritage Month.....pg.7

What to Stream to Celebrate.....pg.10 & 11

### CELEBRATED AUTHORS

Gael Garcia Marquez  
Juan Felipe Herrera  
Isabel Allende  
Sandra Cisneros  
Yuyi Morales  
Julia Alvarez  
Jorge Luis Borges  
Pablo Neruda  
Laura Esquivel

### CELEBRATED ARTIST

Frida Kahlo  
Celia Cruz  
Lin-Manuel Miranda  
Rita Moreno  
Diego Rivera  
America Ferrera  
Selena  
Enrique Iglesias  
Santana

### CELEBRATED PUBLIC FIGURES

Sonia Sotomayor  
Cesar Chavez  
Dolore Huerta  
Sylvia Rivera  
Emma Gonzales  
Pura Belpre  
Jaime Escalante  
Jorge Ramos  
Che Guevara



# SELF CARE

# SWEAT IT OUT

By Thalia King

Isolation is hard, even for a bibliobibli. Luckily, our Trojan Family has considered ways to help students let off some steam while at home.

**USC Recreational Sports** has gone online by offering exercise classes via Zoom. Try YogaFlow with Lindsey (that's my fav) or Zumba with Shira.

Rather bend your brain?

## Try Mindful USC online.

The Mindfulness Initiative at USC offers Zoom Practice Groups so online students can practice mindfulness and self-compassion in a supported setting.

Maybe an app is more your speed. Try the free **Mindful USC mobile app** to calm down, cultivate happiness, or even get some good old fashioned sleep!

**USC**

**Recreational Sports**  
A Division of Student Affairs

USC Recreational Sports

### Virtual Group Ex Schedule - Fall 2020

**Begins 8/17/20**

|         | Monday                   | Tuesday              | Wednesday             | Thursday                 | Friday              | Saturday     | Sunday                    |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 8:00am  | Barre<br>Kim             | Yoga Sculpt<br>Emma  |                       | Yoga Sculpt<br>Emma      |                     |              |                           |
| 10:00am | Yoga Sculpt<br>Margot    |                      |                       |                          |                     |              | Zumba<br>Shira            |
| 11:00am |                          |                      |                       |                          |                     | Zumba<br>Kat | Classical Pilates<br>Maya |
| 4:00pm  |                          |                      |                       |                          | Yin Yoga<br>Lindsey |              |                           |
| 5:00pm  | Mixedfit Dance<br>Evelyn |                      | Power Pilates<br>Maya | Mixedfit Dance<br>Evelyn |                     |              |                           |
| 5:30pm  |                          | Yoga Flow<br>Lindsey |                       |                          |                     |              |                           |
| 6:00pm  |                          |                      | Yoga Flow<br>Anna     |                          |                     |              | *Starts 8/30<br>Yoga Flow |
| 6:30pm  | POP Pilates<br>Karrin    | Zumba<br>Kat         | Zumba<br>Shira        | Zumba<br>Shira           |                     |              |                           |
| 7:00pm  |                          |                      |                       | Yoga Flow<br>Grace       |                     |              | *Starts 8/30<br>Yin Yoga  |
| 7:30pm  | Yin Yoga<br>Lindsey      |                      |                       |                          |                     |              |                           |

**F45 Home Workouts are Here!**

1. Go to: [f45challenge.com](https://f45challenge.com)

2. Register an Account

3. Click Workout At Home

WORKOUT AT HOME

Sign up with your USC Email for free!

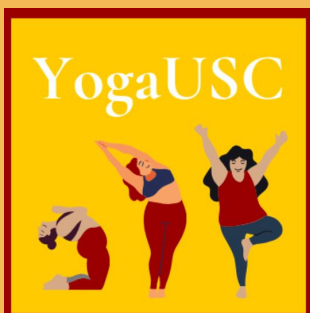
Fall 2020 Group X Schedule begins August 17th until November 20, 2020. No Classes on Labor Day, Monday, September 7th, 2020.

Sign-up up to 7 days in advance at [myrecsports.usc.edu](https://myrecsports.usc.edu) to sign your waiver and reserve your spot. An email confirmation with the zoom link be sent after registration.

\*Sunday evening 6pm & 7pm Yoga starts Sunday, August 30th, 2020.



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# RECIPES TO CELEBRATE!

Delicious recipes that celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

## SALVADORIAN EMPANADAS

### Ingredients for filling:

1 c. whole milk  
1 c. of cold water  
1/3 c. Maizena Corn Starch  
1/3 c. white sugar  
Cinnamon Powder



### Prep

- Heat the milk sugar and cinnamon in a saucepan over medium heat until boiling. In a small bowl, mix corn starch and water well until dissolved.
- Slowly add corn starch mixture into saucepan while continually stirring.
- Cook for an additional 4-5 minutes until the mixture stiffens into a cream-like substance. Remove from heat and let cool. Cooling will allow the cream to thicken further.

### Ingredients for Dough:

4 Ripe Plantains  
1 c. of sugar  
Corn or vegetable oil for frying

### Prep

- Cut plantain ends off and cut each plantain into 3-4 pieces of approximately 2 inches long. Do not peel.
- Drop plantain pieces into boiling water and add sugar. Cook plantains in sugar water until the peel of the plantain starts to loosen. Remove plantain pieces from water and allow them to cool slightly until it is easy to remove the peels.
- While plantains are still warm, use a food processor or mash plantains well using a fork. Add water to plantain mixture while mashing to ensure the consistency is creamy and moist. Form a tortilla shape with your hands.
- Place a teaspoon of the cream in the center of the tortilla. Then fold over one side of the plantain tortilla to meet the other so that none of the cream is showing.
- Heat enough oil in a frying pan over med-high heat, add empanadas to hot oil and continue to flip empanada until golden brown.
- Roll the empanada on sugar and serve warm!

## SHRIMP CEVICHE

### Ingredients

1.5lbs Raw Shrimp (12-15 shrimps)  
1 Cucumber - Diced  
1 Roma Tomato - Diced  
1/4 Red Onion - Diced  
1 c. Diced Cilantro  
2 Limes  
1 Lemon  
1 Avocado  
2 Table Spoons of Ketchup  
Favorite Hot Sauce (optional)

### Prep

- Begin by boiling water add salt, pepper and squeeze lemon juice into water
- Clean and remove skin and tail from shrimps
- Once water is boiling add shrimp and cook for 3-5 min. No more, no less.
- When ready remove shrimp from water and add to an ice bath to immediately stop cooking process.
- In a large bowl mix diced cucumber, roma tomato, red onion, and cilantro.
- Squeeze 2 limes into bowl
- Once shrimp has cooled dice shrimp and add to bowl mixture.
- Stir in ketchup and desired hot sauce to your liking.
- Lastly dice avocado and add to mixture and enjoy with tostadas or corn tortillas.





# **LIBRARIES ARE WONDERFUL!**

**CELEBRATE  
LIBRARY CARD  
SIGN-UP MONTH  
WITH WONDER WOMAN  
THIS SEPTEMBER.**

ALA American Library Association



**DON'T HAVE A LIBRARY CARD FOR YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY?  
THIS MONTH IS THE TIME TO GET ONE!  
DUE TO THE PANDEMIC, LIBRARIES ARE CLOSED BUT THEY STILL HAVE  
ONLINE OPTIONS FOR NEW USERS TO HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR DIGITAL  
CATALOGS AND CURBSIDE SERVICE IN SOME AREAS.  
CLICK HERE TO FIND YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY WEBSITE AND SIGN UP  
TODAY!**

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

- **THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS IS THE LARGEST LIBRARY IN THE WORLD, WITH MORE THAN 167 MILLION ITEMS ON APPROXIMATELY 838 MILES OF BOOKSHELVES, WHICH WOULD SPAN ROUGHLY THE DISTANCE FROM THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS IN WASHINGTON, D.C., TO CAPE CANAVERAL, FLORIDA.**
  - **THERE ARE MORE PUBLIC LIBRARIES THAN STARBUCKS IN THE U.S. – A TOTAL OF 16,568, INCLUDING BRANCHES. NEARLY 100% OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES PROVIDE WI-FI AND HAVE NO-FEE ACCESS TO COMPUTERS.**
  - **LIBRARIES ARE A SMART INVESTMENT. A RECENT STUDY SHOWS THAT FOR EVERY DOLLAR SPENT ON OHIO PUBLIC LIBRARIES, OHIOANS RECEIVED \$5.48 IN ECONOMIC VALUE.**
  - **EVERYONE IN A COLLEGE BENEFITS FROM THE COLLEGE LIBRARY, YET THEY RECEIVE FEWER THAN TWO CENTS OF EVERY DOLLAR SPENT ON HIGHER EDUCATION.**
- ...CLICK HERE FOR MORE FUN FACTS!**



# September is Civic Engagement Month

By: Eileen Urrutia

## How to participate?

### Register and Vote

1. Register to vote. As a citizen it is your right and your say in how the US should be governed. **Use your voice!**
2. **Unsure of your voter registration status?** Click here to register, check your status and/or modify your information.
3. **Unsure of voting dates?** Click the US Vote Foundation | Election Dates and Deadlines
4. **Further questions?** Click this link for Everything You Need to Know to Vote.

### Fill out the Census

1. **Questions?** Click on the link Questions Asked on the Form.
2. Do you still need to fill out your Census questionnaire?  
**Click here Census 2020**
3. Currently the Census is in its last stages of collecting surveys. **Make sure to fill out before the end of September!**

# What To Bin

Contributions by Nick Casar

## FAMILY FRIENDLY

### VICTOR AND VALENTINO (2016)

The mischievous pair hilariously discover other worldly beings, curious creatures from forgotten folklore, and places only described in myths.



### THE CASAGRANDES (2019)

An 11-year-old adjusts to her new life living under one roof with her multigenerational Mexican-American family and over a market which serves as a gathering place for everyone in the neighbourhood.



### COCO (2017)

After meeting a charming trickster named Héctor, the two new friends embark on an extraordinary journey to unlock the real story behind Miguel's family history.



## BIOPICS

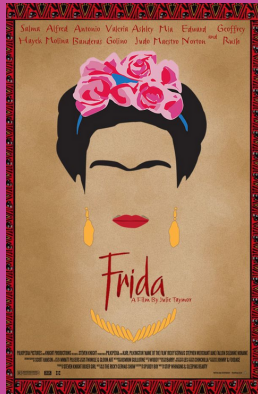
### MUCHO MUCHO AMOR THE LEGEND OF WALTER MERCADO (2020)

Puerto Rican astrologer and psychic Walter Mercado discusses his life, career and post-fame seclusion.



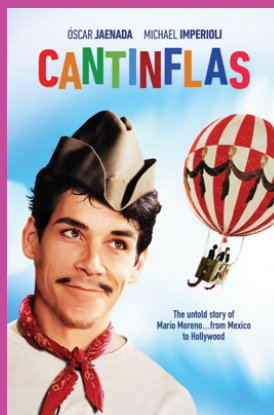
### FRIDA (2002)

Biopic of the bold and controversial life of artist Frida Kahlo. Her forward-thinking artistic, political and sexual attitudes are explored as we witness a hard-drinking, passionate woman of the early 1900s.



### CANTINFLAS (2014)

The untold story of Mexico's greatest and most beloved comedy film star of all time. From his humble origins on the small stage to the bright lights of Hollywood, Cantinflas became famous around the world - one joke at a time.



## SERIES

### GENTEFIED (2020)

In Los Angeles, 3 Mexican-American cousins chase the American Dream, even while that dream threatens the things they hold most dear, including their neighborhood, their immigrant grandfather and the family-owned taco shop.



### THE BAKER AND THE BEAUTY (2020)

Sparks fly between an unlikely couple and they must decide whether to upend their lives to be together, pulling their families into an inevitable culture clash.



### EL PRESIDENTE (2020)

El Presidente, a Chilean drama web television series based on the 2015 FIFA corruption case and is focused in the former president of ANFP Sergio Jadue.





# ge Watch Next?

ez, Angelica Mejia, & Eileen Urrutia

## COMEDY

### JENNY LORENZO YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Jenny Lorenzo is a Cuban-American actor, writer, and content creator, who is known for her work on *We Are Mitú* and is one of the original co-founders of BuzzFeed's *Pero Like*.



### CLUB DE CUERVOS (2015)

The death of the patriarch triggers a power struggle between the brother and sister over who will receive ownership and direction over of the family's treasured football squad: Los Cuervos de Toledo.



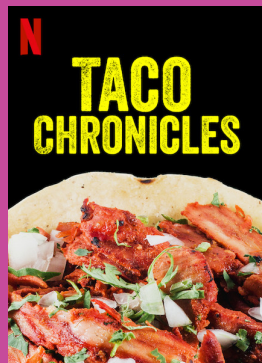
### HBO'S ENTRE NOS (2020)

The world's top Latino comedians come together in this fast paced stand-up comedy show.



## FOR FOODIES

### TACO CHRONICLES (2019)



Many of the most popular taco styles have long and rich, but little-known, histories; this docuseries explores some of them in this eye-opening, mouthwatering food adventure.

### MEXICAN MADE EASY (2010)

Chef Marcela Valladolid pairs her Mexican and Southern Californian upbringing to offer a new twist on classic Mexican cooking.



### STREET FOOD SEASON 2 LATIN AMERICA (2019)



"Street Food" brings viewers to some of the world's most vibrant cities, where the rich culture of street food is explored.

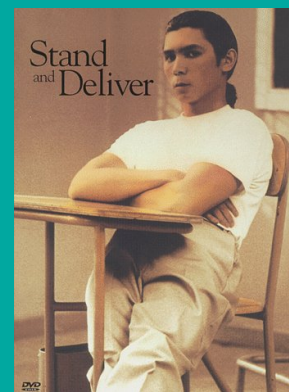
## INSPIRATIONAL FILMS

### WAREHOUSED [ALMA CENA DOS] (2015)

A retiring employee and his replacement share five journeys in the workplace.



### STAND AND DELIVER (1988)



Los Angeles high school teacher, Jaime Escalante's students ace California's calculus test, only to learn that their scores are being questioned. They'll have to retake the exam in order to quiet the critics.

### LOS LOBOS (2019)

Immigrant siblings let their imaginations run wild as they dream of going to Disneyland one day.





# TIPS FOR NEW STUDENTS

By Thalia King & Jasmine Orellana

## Create a Regular Study Space

Whether your workspace is your kitchen table, a library, or the corner booth in a local coffee shop, it's essential to determine what type of environment will work best. Experiment to discover which kind of setting boosts your productivity. Wherever you choose, make sure there's high-speed internet access, so you're not trying to take an online course over a lagging connection.

## Track Deadlines

Trying to write down all assignments and discussion posts deadlines on a planner or journal at the beginning of the week will give you time to plan your week.





## Network

Online classes may sometimes make you feel like you are learning on your own.

Stay in touch with your group (past groups) and create a support team that understands your goals and are willing to push you to meet those goals. Online classes are not easy, but communication with classmates makes the process so much easier.

## GEMS FROM JEWEL

How to make your slides shine!

-  Search for powerpoint templates through Google, Slidesgo.com or design your own with the help of YouTube tutorials.
-  Limit your words on each slide. If the audience is reading, they are not listening.
-  Play with word font and size until the slide looks appealing.
-  Use images, diagrams and photos when possible.